

Satellite radio much like Satellite Television should have the right to compete in a free and open marketplace. Pay for service communications offer the subscriber upgrades and advantages over broadcast services funded by advertisement. There are issues of freedom of choice, privacy rights, and quality of service at stake here. Competition is the force that drives improvement and change in an open marketplace. Broadcast radio is not an industry that deserves protection under the law or regulation in order to maintain our economic security. Satellite instant weather and traffic as well as local news and information will drive an improvement of service across the broadcast industry in order to compete. If I don't like the service I receive from Satellite I can show my disapproval by cancelling my service. Broadcast coalitions prohibit me from showing my disapproval of service, and infringe on my rights to participate in a FREE and OPEN MARKETPLACE.